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1. Soviet Legation officials in Beirut are complaining because their allowances have been taken away and they now receive the same salary as they would if they were stationed in the Soviet Union.  
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2. [REDACTED] there are three radiomen at the Soviet Legation, one of whom is Nikolai Martynov.\*\*
3. The Lebanese Sureté has received several reports that Nikolai Martynov is engaged in "secret work."
4. Vladimir Ivanov, who directs the Soviet news bulletin in Beirut, has an ordinary identity card on file with the Lebanese Sureté, not a diplomatic one. The following information was taken from his identity card:

Born in 1902; journalist; arrived in Beirut from Moscow on 18 January 1948, bearing passport Number 30435, issued on 28 September 1947 in Moscow. He is employed at the Soviet Information Bureau in Syria and Lebanon, and lives on rue du Fleuve in Beirut.\*\*\*

\* [REDACTED] Comment. Nikolai Martynov and his wife arrived in Beirut from Tehran in October 1947. He is listed as a "collaborateur" on the official list of Soviet Legation employees, a rank just below that of officer. [REDACTED]

\* [REDACTED] Comment. According to a report from a usually reliable source, Ivanov is described as a "directeur adjoint" of the Soviet Legation, and carries a passport with a number differing from the one listed above, with a different date of issue and date of arrival in Beirut.

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